

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

ABEL LAZCANO, *et al.*,

No. 2:22-cv-1776RSL

## Plaintiffs,

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD  
CASE IN ABEYANCE AND  
ORDER

LOREN K. MILLER, *et al.*,

## Defendants.

Plaintiffs brought this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (“USCIS”) to complete the processing of Plaintiffs’ Form I-601A, Application for Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver, and thereafter for the State Department to schedule a DS-260 immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Consulate in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Defendants have not yet responded to the complaint. For good cause, the parties request that the case be held in abeyance until April 28, 2023.

Courts have “broad discretion” to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). “[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for

1 counsel, and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ.  
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3 USCIS issued a Request for Evidence (“RFE”) on January 11, 2023. Plaintiffs responded  
4 to the RFE earlier this month. Prior to adjudication, USCIS must review and consider the RFE  
5 response. The State Department cannot schedule an interview until the I-601A has been  
6 adjudicated. As additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court  
7 hold the case in abeyance until April 28, 2023. The parties will submit a joint status report on or  
8 before April 28, 2023.

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10 Dated: February 23, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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## ORDER

The case is held in abeyance until April 28, 2023. The parties shall submit a joint status report on or before April 28, 2023. It is so **ORDERED**.

DATED this 28th day of February, 2023.

Mr S Casnik

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Robert S. Lasnik  
United States District Judge